GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO ANDHRA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to the local bodies and Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in Andhra Pradesh as per the recommendations of the 11th Finance Commission;

(b) the total amount released to local bodies and PRIs in Andhra Pradesh till February, 2007;

(c) whether the 12th Finance Commission has submitted its recommendations with regard to grants to be provided to the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the action taken thereon; and

(f) the conditions attached for release of the grants recommended by the 12* Finance Commission?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) and (b): The Eleventh Finance Commission recommended grants of Rs. 924.90 crore for the period 2000-05 for Local Bodies in Andhra Pradesh, of which Rs. 760.24 crore pertain to Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and Rs. 164.66 crore pertain to Urban Local Bodies (ULBs). During the EFC award period 2000-05, Government of India had released local bodies grants of Rs. 848.88 crore to Andhra Pradesh (Rs. 684.22 crore for PRIs and Rs. 164.66 crore for ULBs), subject to the fulfilment of conditionalities attached to the release of grants and taking into consideration the pace of utilisation upto the prescribed period.

(c) to (1): Yes, Sir. The Twelfth Finance Commission (TFC) has submitted its recommendations for the award period 2005-10, which have been accepted by the Government of India. The TFC has recommended Local Bodies Grants of Rs. 1961.00 crore for Andhra Pradesh (Rs. 1587.00 crore for PRIs and Rs. 374.00 crore for ULBs) for the period 2005-10. So far, Andhra Pradesh has been released Local Bodies Grants of Rs. 354.80 crore (Rs. 317.40 crore for PRIs and Rs. 37.40 crore for ULBs) in 2005-06 and Rs. 233.50 crore (Rs. 158.70 crore for PRIs and Rs. 74.80 crore for ULBs) during 2006-07, subject to the receipt / fulfillment of information/conditions indicated in the Government of India guidelines on Local Bodies grants as given in the annexure.